

2 NINETY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE  
3 SECOND SESSION  
4 LEGISLATIVE RESOLUTION 249

5 Introduced by Hudkins, 21

6 WHEREAS, Douglas Gregory Johnson of Troop 42, Malcolm,  
7 Nebraska, within the Cornhusker Council, Boy Scouts of America,  
8 earned the rank of Eagle Scout, the highest advancement rank in  
9 Scouting, on January 22, 2004; and

10 WHEREAS, the rank of Eagle Scout was bestowed by the Boy  
11 Scouts of America in recognition of Douglas Gregory Johnson's years  
12 of hard work, selfless dedication, and commitment to both the  
13 organization and the community at large, as well as the  
14 steadfastness and determination that he has displayed in carrying  
15 out his Scouting duties and responsibilities; and

16 WHEREAS, in the course of attaining the rank of Eagle  
17 Scout, Douglas Gregory Johnson earned thirty-two merit badges and,  
18 for a community service project, obtained a much-needed new sign  
19 for the local Malcolm United Methodist Church; and

20 WHEREAS, only 1.2 million boys have achieved the rank of  
21 Eagle Scout since 1911 and only 2 in 100 that join the Boy Scouts,  
22 or 0.5% of the male population, earned an Eagle Scout badge; and

23 WHEREAS, Douglas Gregory Johnson joins the ranks of such  
24 great Eagle Scouts as Gerald Ford, the 36th President of the United  
25 States, professional baseball legend Henry "Hank" Aaron, Pulitzer  
26 Prize-winning author Wallace Stegner, astronaut Neil Armstrong, the

1 first man on the moon, journalist Walter Cronkite, current  
2 Secretary of Defense Donald H. Rumsfeld, Apollo astronaut James A.  
3 Lovell, Jr., and Togo D. West, Jr., former Secretary of the Army  
4 and Secretary of Veterans Affairs; and

5 WHEREAS, in realizing his goal of becoming an Eagle  
6 Scout, Douglas Gregory Johnson has excelled in pursuing and  
7 exemplifying the essential goals of Scouting, citizenship training,  
8 character development, and personal fitness, as well as leadership,  
9 service, and outdoor skills, and will be honored for these  
10 accomplishments at a recognition ceremony to be held on March 28,  
11 2004.

12 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE MEMBERS OF THE  
13 NINETY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE OF NEBRASKA, SECOND SESSION:

14 1. That the Legislature congratulates Douglas Gregory  
15 Johnson on his achievement of the elite rank of Eagle Scout in the  
16 Boy Scouts of America and recognizes his outstanding community  
17 service in Malcolm.

18 2. That a copy of this resolution be sent to Douglas  
19 Gregory Johnson and his family.